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West Colfax Association of Neighbors (WeCAN) is a Registered Neighborhood Organization (RNO).

WeCAN holds general membership meetings the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm in the main room of Confluence Ministries, 1400 Quitman St. WeCAN is dedicated to the advancement and well being of the West Colfax neighborhood.

**West Colfax Association of Neighbors
(WeCAN)**

General Membership Meeting

6:00 pm, April 10, 2012

**1400 Quitman, Confluence Ministries
Main Hall**

Agenda

- 6:00 pm Call to order & Announcements
- Police Officer Report
- Adjourn to watch the documentary:
"Colfax Avenue: Main Street Colorado"

The April General Membership Meeting of WeCAN will feature the showing of *Colfax Avenue: Main Street Colorado*, the opus of Jim Havey about the longest main street in America. Join WeCAN in watching this tribute to heart of Denver on April 10, 2012, 6:00 pm in the Confluence Ministries Main Hall. The Whiz Kids Tutoring program will be selling popcorn for the showing. Munch a little and support this highly worthy program.

WeCAN is continuing its search for neighborhood businesses to partner with **Rebuilding Together Metro Denver**. Donated materials and volunteer labor would be the ideal situation. If you feel that this is something that your business, church or nonprofit could participate in or you would like further information, feel free to call Barbara Baker at 303-257-9808 or email thanksb@comcast.net.

Rebuilding Together Metro Denver (RTMD), a national non-profit, is **accepting applications** from low income senior citizens, disabled individuals and veterans. There is a strong possibility that RTMD will be doing a joint project with West Colfax Association of Neighbors (WeCAN). Applications are available at Confluence Ministries, 1400 Quitman St., on the WeCAN website, wecanddenver.org or call Barbara Baker, 303-257-9808.



The RTD West Corridor project continues to progress as attested by this recent sighting of a transit cars testing the track. Thanks to Suellen Mack for the photo.

West End Flats construction is proceeding well. They are hoping to get their Certificate of Occupancy on May 24, 2012. They will be having a grand opening celebration in late May or early June... more details as available. A waiting list for occupants has been established. Applicants may sent their information by email to rpmc@coloradocoalition.org or call the message line at 303.312.9900 and the Property Management will follow-up to insure all necessary information is obtained.

Two upcoming WeCAN events are being finalized:

West Colfax Alley/Graffiti Clean-up: May19th, 2012. Join volunteers from Extreme Community Makeover to help clean up our neighborhood. ECM

crews will be helping us out from 9am to 4pm: please join us for the morning or the afternoon shift (or both). Lunch will be provided at 12:30 for volunteers. Free lunch to all volunteers at May 19 Clean up day... courtesy Confluence Ministries

WeCAN Annual Garage Sale, Sat., June 2, 2012. For donation pick up call Barbara Baker, 303-257-9808, thanksb@comcast.net. Proceeds go to a Rebuilding Together project to do safety remodeling for a senior citizen in our neighborhood. Time and location still to be determined.

Denver City Council will continue to hold public meetings to discuss the redistricting of the electorate for elected city officers.

- **Sunday, April 8th:** Final date to send feedback to Council at redistricting@denvergov.org.
- **Monday, April 9th** at 3:30pm: Redistricting Committee meeting to choose final map(s).
- **Monday, April 23rd** at 5:30pm: First reading of redistricting bill at weekly City Council Meeting - with a public hearing.
- **Monday, April 30th** at 5:30pm: Final adoption of redistricting bill at weekly City Council Meeting.

Denver City Police Department has announced they are starting their next citizen's academy on April 25 and it will run through July 18. The classes are Wednesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. until about 9:00 p.m. If you are interested in attending, please contact Technician Matt Merrion, Denver Police Academy, 2155 North Akron Way, Denver, Co 80238 (303) 370-1527 and FAX 303-1503 or email matthew.merrion@denvergov.org

Attendance of the citizen's academy is recommended for volunteers in neighborhood cop shops. WeCAN will be facilitating the cop shop to be located in West End Flats at the time of its opening.

The Denver Police Department and Crime Stoppers are teaming up to get illegal weapons off Denver's Streets. Crime Stoppers has agreed to pay rewards for information that leads to the arrest of a previous felon in possession of a weapon, a juvenile

in possession of a weapon or the recovery of a weapon used in the commission of a major crime.

This project will surely assist in both solving crimes and preventing others from occurring.

Contact CRIME STOPPERS at 720.913.STOP (7867) or Text to: 274637 (CRIMES) then title DMCS & enter your message.

Support WeCAN Fundraiser Recycling:

All scrap metal or items that can be resold on Craigslist are welcome. All donations are tax deductible, receipts on request.

Contact Bill Baker: 303.946.8230 or bigbuddy2@comcast.net

The WeCAN Land Use committee will meet Wednesday, April 11, 2012, 6:00pm at 1400 Osceola. All meetings are open to the public.

The WeCAN Board of Directors will meet April 18, 2012, 6:00pm at Confluence Ministries, 1400 Quitman. Board meetings are open to the public and offer an opportunity for airing opinions.

The next scheduled Large Item Pickup (LIP) is April 2 thru April 6, 2012. Have your large items out for pickup on Monday, April 2, 2012.

Estimados Vecinos!

Sabias usted que hay una organizacion en nuestra comunidad que se interesa por la calidad de vida de ustedes? Este grupo se llama West Colfax Area Neighbors (*WeCan*). *WeCan* quiere saber que piensa usted que ayudaria a mejorar nuestra comunidad.

Por ejemplo, tendremos una libreria en nuestra comunidad y estamos removiendo grafity sin costo alguno para ustedes.

Desea escuchar mas sobre asuntos de nuestra comunidad o quiere compartir ideas, por favor venga a las juntas este 10 de Abril (son cada 2do martes del mes). Generalmente aqui hay algunos asistenstes biligues quien podran ayudar traduciendo los temas. Vengan! Nos encantara verlos!